# EXAMINING BOARD OF SOCIAL WORKERS, MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS AND PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS SOCIAL WORKERS SECTION JANUARY 10, 2001

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cornelia Gordon-Hempe, Virginia Heinemann, Douglas Knight,

Muriel Harper

MEMBER EXCUSED: Anita Kropf

LEGAL COUNSEL: John Schweitzer

STAFF PRESENT: Kimberly Nania, Karen Rude-Evans

GUESTS: Marc Herstand, NASW-WI; Joanne Barndt, UW-Milwaukee

PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED RULE CHANGE TO ELIMINATE THE REQUIREMENT TO RETAKE THE SOCIAL WORKER JURISPRUDENCE EXAM IF TAKEN WITHIN THE PAST FIVE YEARS

Chair Cornelia Gordon-Hempe called the public hearing to order at 8:38 a.m. There were no speakers registered. Legal Counsel John Schweitzer noted the need to eliminate references to MFT and PC examinations.

MOTION: Muriel Harper moved seconded by Douglas Knight, to insert, "another

social work certification" to clarify the Section's intent. Motion carried

unanimously.

MOTION: Douglas Knight moved, seconded by Virginia Heinemann, to adjourn the

public hearing. Motion carried unanimously.

The public hearing adjourned at 8:49 a.m.

#### CALL TO ORDER

Chair Cornelia Gordon-Hempe called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Amendments: -Approval of request for Cornelia Gordon-Hempe to speak to CSWE

-Class I Hearings scheduled for Laurieann Chutis, Catherine Rogich and Alexis Kaniasty will not be held.

- -A Class I Hearing for Cindy Schmitt is scheduled for 10:30 a.m.
- -Review of three letters received from Janet Cedar Spring, Donna Ryan and Ken Squire

MOTION: Douglas Knight moved, seconded by Muriel Harper, to approve the agenda

as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

MOTION: Muriel Harper moved, seconded by Virginia Heinemann, to re-elect Cornelia Gordon-Hempe as Chair, Virginia Heinemann as Vice-Chair and Anita Kropf as Secretary. Douglas Knight abstained. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF DECEMBER 6, 2000

Correction: -On page 1, under GUESTS, Joanne Barndt is from UW-Milwaukee

MOTION: Virginia Heinemann moved, seconded by Muriel Harper, to approve the Minutes of December 6, 2000 as corrected. Motion carried unanimously.

#### SECRETARY CUMMINGS

Secretary Cummings announced she will be retiring from state service effective February 25, 2001. The Section wished her well in all her future endeavors.

#### PRESENTATION OF PROPOSED STIPULATION

#### WILFRED A PERERA, CICSW

DOE Attorney Jack Zwieg presented a proposed stipulation in the matter concerning Wilfred A. Perera, CICSW. This matter will be deliberated on in closed session.

## REPORTS ON PENDING COURT CASES, DISCIPLINARY CASES AND ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

These reports were informational.

#### REVIEW OF EDGEWOOD COLLEGE HUMAN SERVICES COURSES

MOTION: Virginia Heinemann moved, seconded by Douglas Knight, to not approve the Edgewood College courses at this time, but to have Casey Brown contact Patricia Egan to invite her to appear at the next Section meeting to answer questions. Motion carried unanimously.

#### REVIEW OF PROPOSED STUDENT INTERNSHIPS FROM EDGEWOOD COLLEGE

MOTION: Douglas Knight moved, seconded by Virginia Heinemann, to deny approval of the internships based on the credentials and degrees of the supervisors. Supervisors must be certified and hold either a BSW or MSW. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Douglas Knight moved, seconded by Muriel Harper, to have legal counsel draft a scope statement to require that coursework submitted for the Section's approval must be submitted at least six (6) months prior to the course(s) being offered. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **CLASS I HEARINGS**

#### FLORENCE MEHALIC

Florence Mehalic appeared before the Section to appeal her denial of a reciprocal ICSW certification. This matter will be deliberated on in closed session.

#### **CINDY SCHMITT**

Cindy Schmitt appeared before the Section to appeal her denial of an ICSW certification. This matter will be deliberated on in closed session.

#### **HOLLY SCHUCK**

Holly Schuck was scheduled for a Class I Hearing but did not appear.

#### REVIEW OF UW STEVENS POINT COURSES TAUGHT BY ALTON SMART

MOTION: Virginia Heinemann moved, seconded by Muriel Harper, to approve Cornelia Gordon-Hempe and Douglas Knight to have a conference call with faculty from UW Stevens Point. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Muriel Harper moved, seconded by Virginia Heinemann, to authorize Cornelia Gordon-Hempe and Douglas Knight to either approve or disapprove, for the spring 2001 semester, the UW Stevens Point coursework being taught by Alton Smart based on the information received during the conference call on January 12, 2001. If Ms. Gordon-Hempe and Mr. Knight cannot agree on a decision, this issue will be brought back to the Section for a vote. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Douglas Knight moved, seconded by Muriel Harper, to negotiate an agreement to make an exception to the standard and retroactively approve the UW Stevens Point courses for the fall 2000 semester, in order to not penalize the students for the school's error in not having the coursework pre-approved. Motion carried unanimously.

#### COMMITTEE TO REVIEW EDUCATIONAL COURSES

MOTION: Virginia Heinemann moved, seconded by Douglas Knight, to advise the Secretary to set up an advisory committee, including university faculty, to review educational courses. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **UPPER IOWA UNIVERSITY**

MOTION: Douglas Knight moved, seconded by Virginia Heinemann, to immediately stop approval of all Upper Iowa courses offered at all campuses except the Madison campus. Only the coursework at the Madison campus has received

previous approval, and the other campuses must submit coursework for review. Motion carried unanimously.

#### PROPOSED STANDARDS FOR PROGRAM APPROVAL

This item was informational.

## REVIEW OF SCOPE STATEMENT AND PROPOSED RULE CHANGE RELATING TO REQUIREMENTS REGARDING THE PRACTICE OF PSYCHOTHERAPY BY SOCIAL WORKERS

MOTION: Douglas Knight moved, seconded by Muriel Harper, to go forward with the scope statement and the language changes recommended by legal counsel.

Motion carried unanimously.

#### REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO COMPLETE CE REQUIREMENT

John Schweitzer will respond to Jane Powell that she may have a six-month extension to complete the ethics CE requirement.

#### REPORT OF SCREENING COMMITTEE

Virginia Heinemann reported that nine cases were screened. Five cases were not opened, two cases were opened, and more information was requested on two cases.

#### REVIEW OF INQUIRIES RECEIVED FROM LEGAL COUNSEL

The Section reviewed correspondence from Karen Jick. John Schweitzer will respond to Ms. Jick.

#### **REVIEW OF CORRESPONDENCE**

#### **KEN SQUIRE**

A waiver of the CE requirements cannot be granted.

#### **DONNA RYAN**

CE hours must be completed if Ms. Ryan wants to renew her certification.

JANET CEDAR SPRING

There is no inactive status. Certification may lapse up to five years without any additional requirements.

## DISCUSSION OF FORMALIZING THE POLICY OF PUTTING SOCIAL WORKER TRAINING CERTIFICATES ON HOLD

The Section discussed whether or not to codify into an administrative rule the department's informal policy of allowing a Social Worker Training Certificate (SWTC) holder to return their SWTC in order to put a "hold" on the period of time that the SWTC is valid. The Section decided the policy will remain as is.

#### REQUEST TO SPEAK

MOTION: Virginia Heinemann moved, seconded by Douglas Knight, to approve

Cornelia Gordon-Hempe to speak to CSWE on February 23, 2001. Motion

carried unanimously.

APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES TO BE ON A PANEL AT THE NASW ANNUAL MEETING TO BE HELD MAY 10-11, 2001

MOTION: Douglas Knight moved, seconded by Virginia Heinemann, to have Muriel

Harper represent the Section on May 10, and Anita Kropf to represent to

Section on May 11. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **VISITORS' COMMENTS**

Joanne Barndt, UW-Milwaukee, spoke briefly on course availability and she will provide a list of the coursework.

MOTION: Douglas Knight moved, seconded by Virginia Heinemann, to authorize a

scope state to allow MSW's to take additional coursework to meet the requirements of a "clinical" concentration when it was not met as a part of

their MSW degree. Motion carried unanimously.

ASWB CORRESPONDENCE RELATING TO EXAMINATION FEE INCREASE

This item was informational.

#### RECESS FOR LUNCH

The Section recessed for lunch at 12:56 p.m. No Section business was discussed during this recess.

#### RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Muriel Harper moved, seconded by Virginia Heinemann, to recess to closed

session pursuant to Chapter 19.85(1)(a), (b), (f), and (g), Wis. Stats., for the purpose of deliberating on Class I hearings, deliberating on a proposed stipulation, reviewing applications, reviewing social worker training certificate applications, reviewing case status report, and consulting with

legal counsel. Roll call vote: Cornelia Gordon-Hempe - yes, Virginia

Heinemann - yes, Muriel Harper - yes, Douglas Knight - yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Open session recessed at 1:50 p.m.

#### RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

<u>MOTION:</u> Douglas Knight moved, seconded by Muriel Harper, to reconvene in open session. Motion carried unanimously.

Open session reconvened at 3:20 p.m.

#### VOTING ON ITEMS CONSIDERED/DELIBERATED ON IN CLOSED SESSION

#### **CLASS I HEARINGS**

#### FLORENCE MEHALIK

MOTION: Douglas Knight moved, seconded by Muriel Harper, to approve Florence Mehalik for reciprocal ISCW certification. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **CINDY SCHMITT**

MOTION: Muriel Harper moved, seconded by Virginia Heinemann, to deny ICSW certification to Cindy Schmitt as she was not supervised by a CICSW, and supervision by a CICSW was available in the vicinity where she worked.

Motion carried unanimously.

#### HOLLY SCHUCK

Holly Schuck did not appear for her hearing, therefore no action was necessary.

#### DELIBERATION OF PROPOSED STIPULATION

#### WILFRED A PERERA, CICSW

MOTION: Douglas Knight moved, seconded by Muriel Harper, to adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order in the matter concerning Wilfred A. Perera, CICSW. Motion carried unanimously.

#### APPLICATION REVIEWS

MOTION: Muriel Harper moved, seconded by Virginia Heinemann, to approve Jennifer Biank for ICSW certification, and Kathy Bandstra, Dale Christianson, Alan R. Jordan, Krista Kay Ungerleider and John W. Weeden to sit for the ASWB Clinical Examination. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Virginia Heinemann moved, seconded by Douglas Knight, to deny ICSW certification to Diane Fae A-Akert, David Alan Berg, Linda D. Butler Ramsey, Margaret Lambert-Mach, Jacqueline Lee Landers, Dawn Lasister Menting, Deborah A. Rosen and Jeffrey Scott. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Muriel Harper moved, seconded by Virginia Heinemann, to request more information from **Ruth M. Waters**. Motion carried unanimously.

#### SOCIAL WORKER TRAINING CERTIFICATE APPLICATIONS

MOTION: Virginia Heinemann moved, seconded by Muriel Harper to approve the experience, or plan, of Tammy Colassaco, Nicole Daniecki, Diane Graham, Angela Hill, Lynn Houlihan, Anne Kuehn, Melanie Ley, Cori Lipinski, Mandy Moore, Tracy Reinhard, Cheryl Salava, Diane Sandy, Jessica Schaeller, Susan Scott, Christine Shanahan, Lynda Shelbrack, Michelle Vaillancourt, Lori Wagner, Sherrie Warden, Julie Weinzierl and Tera Wirth; to deny the experience of Kristin Leach, Angela Perez and Nancy Reed; and to request more information regarding experience from Tamara Sleger and Ramona Waters. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Muriel Harper moved, seconded by Virginia Heinemann, to approve the degrees of Michelle Clements, Katie Heintz, Renae Huffman, Lisa Korn, Rick Siegenthaler and Joan Stoffel, and deny the degrees of Carla Blackcoon and Mary Tijan. Motion carried unanimously.

#### INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

The ASWB newsletter was for information only.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION: Virginia Heinemann moved, seconded by Muriel Harper, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 3:28 p.m.

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